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From: Gloria Wolfe <gloria@wolfedwelling.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2026 7:25 PM
To: Council
Cc: Gloria Wolfe
Subject: Support for the SJCC property designation amendment

Dear City Council Members,

I'm writing to urge your support to amend the Comprehensive Plan to change the designation of the SJCC property from single family use to a commercial property designation. As a 20 year member of the SJCC and living on the Island for 17 years, I can't think of a more welcoming community center.

The SCC welcomed us not only to Washington State, but to becoming parents, raising our children on the Island and creating and fostering a community of friends who have supported our family for many years now. Our friends were made through the SJCC and continue to be our nearest and dearest people in WA. Our kids' friends continue to be the ones they went to preschool with at the SJCC. We have done Dinky Dunkers, J Explorers, Parents nights out, Adult Co-Rec Slow Pitch Softball, the Jewish Film Festival at the SJCC. We have been to Mitzvahs and auctions, celebrations of Life, parties and everything in between. We have done exercise at the SJCC, our kids learned to swim at the SJCC and we continue to utilize the SJCC for adult programming. I look forward to retirement where I can play Mah Jong and join the Silver Sneakers program at the J.

It's time for major improvements and updates and upgrades to the SJCC. Please please please allow the SJCC to stay relevant for the next generation of Washingtonians and Islanders.

The SJCC has been serving the Mercer Island community – as a community center – for over 55 years. Please vote to align the comprehensive plan and land use maps to reflect that reality and ensure the J can continue to serve our community and thrive on Mercer Island for the next 55 years.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Gloria Wolfe
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